



Tacheria Interfaith Spirituality Center
Tacheria Interfaith School of Spiritual Direction
Tucson, Arizona

“Dedicated to supporting spiritual guides in their efforts to work in a multi-faith world.”

You are Invited:

We are now accepting applications for the next interfaith course (Class of 2020) for persons who are yearning for answers to their spiritual questions and want to be able to do something with this yearning and are interested in the training of those called to a vocation of spiritual direction/spiritual companionship.

What is Spiritual Direction?

Spiritual direction is the process of accompanying people on a spiritual journey. It is SPIRITUAL COMPANIONSHIP. Spiritual direction exists in a context that emphasizes growing closer to God (or the sacred, the holy or a higher power).

What is the Tacheria Interfaith School of Spiritual Direction?

This two year course encompasses the beliefs of the world's major religions. Spiritual leaders from many disciplines make up the faculty and share their insights, knowledge, wisdom and experience during the *two* years of the class.

Learning in the school is both didactic and experiential. Students are asked to share their own experience and concerns as an important part of the learning process. Texts are selected for each class and an additional reading list is available for class members to read at their own pace and interest. One of the very important aspects of the school is the development of a community of participants and the sharing of support.

When are the Course Sessions held?

The School will begin on September 8, 2017 and classes will continue monthly on the second Saturday of each month from 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. for two ten-month sessions (September – June). There is also a weekend retreat at the Redemptorist Retreat Center at Picture Rocks, Friday and Saturday December 7 - 8, 2017. The School meets at St. Philip's In the Hills Episcopal Church located at 4004 N. Campbell (at River Road).

How to Apply?

A completed application and a \$50.00 application fee will hold your place in the School. The School is open to all persons regardless of race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, or sexual identity. Enrollment is limited and a genuine commitment to attending all of the sessions is important. Students in the classes of 2019 and 2020 will meet together for faculty presentations but there are also opportunities for the individual classes to meet separately. It is also expected that every student have a personal spiritual director.

Before acceptance into the School, interviews are conducted to discuss with each student the appropriateness of the School to their particular needs and mutual expectations of the student and School.

Fees for the course are \$600 per year not including the retreat cost which is \$185. A payment plan can be worked out at the time of the interview. Limited scholarship assistance may be available.

Further information is available on the Tacheria web site, www.tacheria.org or from the school director Dr. Frank Williams, tacheriacenter@aol.com.